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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No. 005389.P001
(maximum 12 characters)First Named Inventor Mark E. Epstein, et al.Title: A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANAGING A NETWORKExpress Mail Label No. EL371006680USADDRESS TO: **US Patent and Trademark Office, Box Patent Application
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See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. **Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)**
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. **Applicant Claims Small Entity Status. (37 CFR 1.27)**
3. **Specification (Total Pages 53)**
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. **Drawings(s) (35 USC 113) (Total Sheets 15)**
5. **Oath or Declaration (Total Pages 5)**
 - a. Newly Executed (Original or Copy)
 - b. Copy from a Prior Application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for Continuation/Divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. **DELETIONS OF INVENTOR(S)** Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
 - c. Unsigned.
6. **Application Data Sheet. (37 CFR 1.76)**
7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. Specification Sequence Listing on
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies), or
 - ii. paper
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. **Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents(s))**
10. a. Separate 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (where there is an assignee)
- b. Power of Attorney
11. English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. a. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
- b. Copies of IDS Citations
13. **Preliminary Amendment**
14. **Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)**
15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. **Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.**
17. Other: _____

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Of Prior Application No.: _____ **Examiner** _____ **Group Art Unit** _____
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which is a continuation/ divisional/ CIP of prior application no. _____) (List entire chain of priority)

Applicant(s): Also include a Preliminary Amendment to amend the specification to claim priority.
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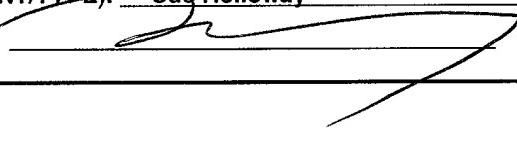
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Deposit Account Name _____ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

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101	740	201	370	Utility application filing fee	<u>\$740.00</u>
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108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	_____
114	160	214	80	Provisional application filing fee	_____

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 740.00**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

	Extra Claims		Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims <u>85</u>	<u>- 20** = 65</u>	X	<u>\$18.00</u>	<u>= \$1170.00</u>
Independent Claims <u>9</u>	<u>- 3** = 6</u>	X	<u>\$84.00</u>	<u>= \$ 504.00</u>
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Fee	Fee	Fee	Fee	
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	84	209	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
099	8,800	099	8,800	Request for inter parties reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,960	228	980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
146	740	246	370	For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))	
148	110	248	55	Statutory Disclaimer	
149	740	249	370	For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))	
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
195	300	195	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal pub.	
196	300	196	300	Publication fee for republication	
194	130	194	130	Request for voluntary publication or republication	
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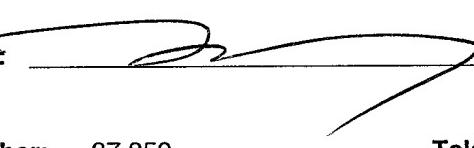
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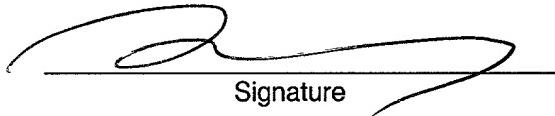
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Brief (____ pgs.) (in triplicate)	<input type="checkbox"/> Month(s) Extension of Time Amt: <u>\$2414.00</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application - Utility (<u>53</u> pgs., with cover and abstract)	<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement & PTO-149 (____ pgs.) <input type="checkbox"/> Check No. _____
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